



**Order Number:** 15-01

**Request:** An Order confirming that the Redevelopment Commission Declaratory Resolution 6-2014 conforms to the plan of development for the City of Westfield.

**Exhibits:** Exhibit 1 - Staff Report  
Exhibit 2 - Order 15-01  
Exhibit 3 - Declaratory Resolution 6-2014  
Exhibit 4 – Gigabit Broadband Economic Development Plan  
Exhibit 5 – Gigabit Broadband Economic Development Area Map

**Staff Reviewer:** Andrew P. Murray

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### **Petition History**

- December 15, 2014 – The Westfield Redevelopment Commission adopted Declaratory Resolution 6-2014, which initiates creation of the Gigabit Broadband Economic Development Area.

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### **Procedural**

- The Advisory Plan Commission’s function on this agenda item is to determine that the Resolution (“Res. 6-2014”, see **Exhibit 3**) and Redevelopment Plan (see **Exhibit 4**) conform to the City of Westfield’s plan of development, in accordance with IC § 36-7-14-15.8 (a).
- The Advisory Plan Commission shall issue its written order approving or disapproving Res. 6-2014 and Economic Development Plan, in accordance with IC § 36-7-14-15.8 (a).
- Advisory Plan Commission orders are not public hearing items.

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### **Analysis**

#### **Overview**

Metro FiberNet, LLC is proposing to bring a Gigabit fiber service to the community which would allow businesses and citizens of Westfield to utilize increased bandwidth and high speed telecommunications. As a result, it is anticipated that this utility infrastructure will facilitate efforts to: (i) enhance opportunities for existing workforce and business; (ii) market the utility for future business attraction; and (iii) improve the quality of life of Westfield residents.



The Gigabit Broadband Economic Development Area is generally located within the corporate limits of Westfield. As indicated in **Exhibit 5**, yellow lines represent the projected overhead locations of the broadband utility and the blue lines represent the projected underground locations.

#### Advisory Plan Commission's Role

As required by IC § 36-7-14, the Advisory Plan Commission is to determine, in the form of a written order, whether the proposal brought forward conforms to the plan of development for the City of Westfield.

#### Recommendation/Actions

##### Westfield Redevelopment Commission

At its December 15, 2014 meeting the Westfield Redevelopment Commission approved Declaratory Resolution 6-2014 (Vote of: 4 in favor, 0 opposed)

##### Advisory Plan Commission

Order 15-01 is eligible for approval on January 5, 2015.

#### Staff Comment

If any member of the Advisory Plan Commission has questions prior to the meeting, then please contact Andrew Murray at (317)379-9080 or [amurray@westfield.in.gov](mailto:amurray@westfield.in.gov).